Mia Seppälä

Visual artist and researcher

b. 1970, lives and works in Helsinki, Finland

Education

 University of the Arts Helsinki,

2019- Academy of Fine Arts, (DFA)

2017 Finnish Academy of Fine Arts (MFA)

1992-96 Art School MAA, Helsinki

1990-92 TTVO Media and Arts, Tampere, Finland

Solo exhibitions

2020 Shopping Mall Itis, Helsinki

2019 Gallery Rajatila, Tampere, Finland

2018 Gallery Lapinlahti, Helsinki

2016 Gallery Katariina Studio, Helsinki

2016 Gallery Tasku, Helsinki

2013 Garage Exhibition, Lahti, Finland

2011 Gallery Huuto, Helsinki

2008 Porvoo Art Hall, Porvoo, Finland

2008 Taidepanimo, Lahti, Finland

2007 Laterna Magica, Helsinki

2003 TM-Gallery, Helsinki

2000 Gallery Promenade, Hyvinkää, Finland

1999 Gallery Bakeliittibambi, Helsinki

Selected group exhibitions

2021 The Research Pavilion #4, “Updating the Seascape” workshop and exhibition, Helsinki

2021 Exhibition Laboratory, Cooking fort the Apocalypse, Helsinki

2020 Exhibition Laboratory, Printmaking way to be - materiality, collaboration and agency

2020 Flux Helsinki / Ääniaalto V, Finland

2020 Nocturno, poetry online, collective Mail-Art piece

2020 Feel Helsinki, Sonic walk in Töölönlahti, Helsinki

2020 SibaFest, Mobile Sonic Walks, Helsinki

2019 MuTeFest, Mobile Sonic Walks, Helsinki

2019 Devotions Upon Emergent Occasions after John Donne,

 Mary Elizabeth Dee Shaw Gallery, Weber State University in Ogden, Utah, USA

2019 Art Fair Suomi - International Contemporary Art Festival Helsinki,

 Art by Meter, collective installation

2018 IMPACT 10, Centro Cultural Caja Cantabria, Santander, Spain

2018 KoMASK Master Salon Printmaking, Antwerp, Belgium

2017 Kuvan Kevät, Helsinki Art Museum, the degree exhibition of the Academy of Fine Arts

Other public appearences

2021 X-plinary Congress on Artistic Research and Related Matters, Vilnius Academy of Arts & SODAS 2021 2021 CARPA7 conference - The 7th Colloquium on Artistic Research in Performing Arts

2021 Symposium presentation: Taidegrafiikan tapa olla, materiality, collaboration and agency

2021 The ESA Research Network Sociology of the Arts Conference, online and Helsinki

2020 S.P.H.E.R.E. Excursions outside the Digibox, multidicplinary workshop on digital platforms, Art Promotion Center

2020 Poetry magazine Tuli & Savu, collective work

2019 Painting off a Coal Mountain, Hanasaari, Helsinki, participatory and site-specific act

2019 Working with Barnacle Geese, Helsinki, site-specific act

2019 Actualizing the Seascape, Herttoniemenranta Helsinki, performance

2019 Updating the Tone, public painting, Helsinki

2019 Exposition in the Gateway, Viipurinkatu 14 Helsinki, site-specific painting

2018 Table 7, Kalamaja, Tallinn, Estonia, site-specific installation

2018 Shopping mall Itis, Helsinki, installation - process, performance

Teaching and research activities

2021 - 2023 Doctoral candidate position, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts 1.9.2021-1.9.2023

2021 - 2022 Hourly-paid teacher, Printmaking department: Artistic work seminar, Printmaking - Visual culture seminar, Artistic studies, independent artistic work, BFA and MFA students

2019 - 2022 Studiovisits (in all study areas) Finnish Academy of Fine Arts

2021 Workshop teacher, University of Arts Research Pavilion, Hietsu Pavilion, Helsinki

2021 Doctoral candidate, FA research project: Post-digital Epistemologies of the Photographic Image (PEPI) side project 1.3.-30.6.2021 Finnish Academy of Fine Arts

2021 Teacher, Artistic studies, Printmaking - Slow selfie, Open University, Mobility Studies 19.01.2021 - 22.01.2021

2020 Workshop teacher, Disappearing landscapes - painting workshops, Contemporary Art Center Hirvitalo, Tampere

2020 Visiting lecturer, Studies in Site and Situation Specific Art - Participatory art and the ethics of social engagement, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts

2020 Visiting lecturer, Contemporary Art as Social and Institutional Practice, Aalto University

2019 Visiting lecturer, Visual culture seminar, Printmaking department, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts

2019 Doctoral candidate position, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts 1.9.-31.12.2019

Trust activities and memberships

2021 Research Ethics Council of the University of the Arts Helsinki 2021-2023

2021 BFA Admissions jury, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts

1. Academic Council board member 2020-2022, Finnish Academy of Fine Arts HTTS (The Artist Association of Helsinki)

 The Finnish Comics Society

 Nihil Interit ry (Poetry Association)

 Nuoren Voiman Liitto (Non-profit Literature Organization)

 Kuvasto (Visual artists Copyright Association Association)

Grants

1. University of the Arts Helsinki (TTOR) grant 2021 Arts Promotion Centre Finland grant

2020 University of the Arts Helsinki (TTOR) grant

2020 Arts Promotion Centre Finland grant

Awards / Works in collections

The Art Foundation Merita Award nominee

Academy of Fine Arts Scholarship

Finnish Academy of Fine Arts

Finnish Art Society

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